

Dutchess County Traffic Safety Board

Minutes June 8, 2015 1:00pm

Members present:

Vince Bellino Michael Dampf Dan Dowd Norm Fenichel Stephen Gill Christine Lopez Steve Minard James Rapoli

Anthony Russo
Joe Ryan

William Steenbergh

 Paul Bonfiglio, Emily Dozier, Neil Garrison, John Healy, Todd Jicha, John McKinney, Ann Rush, and Robert Simpson

Staff: William Johnson, Adrianna Frazier

Minutes:

Joe Ryan motioned to accept the minutes as written from the April 11th meeting. Seconded by Ann Rush. Motion carried.

** William Johnson called the meeting to order at 1:06pm**

On-going Items:

❖ 2016 GTSC Grant Package: W. Johnson said he submitted three grant proposals to GTSC (Child Passenger Safety - \$18,400, Multiple Agency Police Enforcement (MAPE) - \$220,545, and Local Grant - \$59,697). He has not received final approval from GTSC. W. Johnson also submitted the STOP-DWI Crack Down Enforcement Grant in the amount of \$157,040 for seven crack down enforcement dates.

❖ 2015 PTS Grant

Operation Safe Stop – W. Johnson said the Operation Safe Stop press release from GTSC stated that 1,186 tickets were written by the police to motorists who had illegally passed a stopped school bus that had their red lights flashing. There were a total of 108 law enforcement agencies that participated in Operation Safe Stop Day on Thursday, April 16th. The NY Association for Pupil Transportation (NYAPT) supports the passage of legislation that will allow school buses in New York State to be equipped with video recording devices that capture images of the license plate of a passing vehicle and for those images to be used in issuing tickets and fines to the owner of the vehicle involved in the passing. W. Johnson stated that NYAPT is supporting the Senate Bill 3509 and Assembly Bill 1520.

<u>Seat belt mobilization</u> – W. Johnson stated that the seat belt mobilization enforcement ended May 31st. Data from law enforcement agencies is due today, Monday, June 8th. The consolidated data is due to GTSC 15 days after the mobilization on Monday, June 15th.

! Injury Prevention:

<u>Bicycle Safety</u> – W. Johnson said he just completed a bike rodeo at Arthur S. May Elementary School on Wednesday, June 3rd. It was well attended. He said there is a need for more volunteers at these events. W. Johnson stated that he did a helmet safety presentation at Upton Lake School on Friday, June 5th. The next bike rodeo will be held on July 20th with the V/Wappingers Falls PD and the Summer Recreation Program.

Senior Driver Mobility – W. Johnson said he has received approval from NYS Department of Health Bureau of Narcotic Enforcement and NYS Department of Environmental Conservation for prescription drug collection at the picnics. J. Ryan asked if we could get to the picnics at 11:00am to be available to accept the prescription drugs from the seniors. W. Johnson will make the Sherriff's Department aware of the need to arrive earlier. W. Johnson also noted we have three additional permanent drug collection locations now at eight sites. W. Johnson said the picnics are a great opportunity to share information (impaired driving, child safety, distracted driving, etc.). He said the seniors like to share information with their families. The following is a list of upcoming senior picnics in June:

T/Fishkill – Sarah Taylor Park – Wednesday, 6/10 T/Pine Plains – Pine Plains Lions Club – Wednesday, 6/17 V/Tivoli – Tivoli Memorial Recreation Park – Wednesday, 6/24 T/Wappinger – Recreation Park – Wednesday, 7/8

Please check your calendars and contact W. Johnson

Picnics are generally from 11:30am - 1:30pmSupport at these events is greatly appreciated.

<u>Motorcycle Safety Awareness</u> – W. Johnson stated that we have safety information and give away materials to distribute through the SmartRider Motorcycle Safety Program and at motorcycle charity rides. He said next Monday, June 15th is "Ride Your Motorcycle or Scooter to Work Day." The purpose is to demonstrate the number of motorcyclists to the general public; that motorcyclists are from all occupations and walks of life; motorcyclists can reduce traffic and parking congestion in large cities; motorcycles are for transportation as well as recreation; and that motorcycling is a social good. The following is a list of upcoming motorcycle events:

Rhinebeck Grand National Super Meet – DC Fairgrounds – 6/13, 14 Third Annual Motorcycle Run – Northern Dutchess (A&P Plaza Route 82) – 6/20.

- * NYS Association TSB: Save Your Friends Over the Airways Contest: W. Johnson said the awards/checks have not yet been presented to the students. He will get the awards/checks from Pamela Waning at the next TSB Regional Meeting on Thursday, June 11th. Since school is almost over the awards may have to be presented at the County Legislature.
- ❖ Child Passenger Safety: W. Johnson stated that we received our car seat order from Evenflo (\$6,877). He will schedule a seat distribution. If any fitting stations need seats please contact him. W. Johnson said he is attempting to get approval from Mary Montimurro at GTSC to conduct a Child Passenger Safety Technician Class from August 5 8. He said the DCSO would like to have all of their school resource officers trained. As soon as he receives confirmation he will let the instructors know and make an announcement. W. Johnson stated that there will be a class in Kingston in September.

Additions:

- ❖ New Commercial Driver Testing and Learner Permit Standards: W. Johnson provided the TSB with a new brochure from DMV regarding the new CDL testing and learner permit standards. It lists the changes pertaining to Commercial Learners Permits.
- D. Dowd motioned to adjourn the meeting at 1:25 p.m. J. Ryan seconded. All in favor.

NEXT MEETING:

July 13th 2015 @ 1:00pm.

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Poughkeepsie, NY 12601. ** Please Call 486-3603 if you cannot attend. **